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**Purpose:** The purpose of this paper is to make students aware of the various requirements of the specific career you researching. You will be able to judge the appropriateness of a career for yourself. You should keep this material to refer to as you make future plans and also to share with counselors and/or others who are aiding you in career planning.

**Directions:** Complete the interest survey in the Choices software or on the Internet. (Go to a search engine and type “career interest survey” Some examples are <http://www.careerkey.org/english/>, <http://www.edonline.com/collegecompass/carhlp2.htm>, and <http://jvis.com/student/default.htm>. Choose one career from the list of appropriate careers that were selected for you. Find information about the career you choose and answer the following questions.

Name of the career: Veterinarian

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| For what kinds of businesses or organization might you work? | Large animals, exclusively $61,029 Small animals, predominantly 57,117 Small animals, exclusively 56,241  Private clinical practice 55,031 Large animals, predominantly 53,397 Mixed animals 52,254 Equine (horses) 40,130 | | | |
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| What types of tools, machinery, or instruments will be used? | Laproscopic- access to the abdomen  veress needle  surgical hook  Laparoscopic staplers | | | |
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| Exactly what would you be doing on this job? | Veterinarians diagnose and treat diseases and dysfunctions of animals  Most veterinarians diagnose animal health problems, vaccinate against diseases, medicate animals suffering from infections or illnesses, treat and dress wounds, set fractures, perform surgery, and advise owners about animal feeding, behavior, and breeding. | | | |
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| What type of education or training is needed for this career? | Prospective veterinarians must graduate with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M. or V.M.D.) degree from a 4-year program at an accredited college of veterinary medicine. There are 28 colleges in 26 States that meet accreditation standards set by the Council on Education of the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA). | | | |
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| What is the cost of getting this education or training? | the average debt load for newly graduated veterinarians is $80,000. | | | |
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| What classes should you be taking in high school that would help prepare you for this career? | 9th Grade | 10th Grade | 11th Grade | 12th Grade |
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| Is there a demand for workers in this career? |  | | | |
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| What is the future job outlook for this career? | Employment of veterinarians is expected to increase 33 percent over the 2008–18 decade, much faster than the average for all occupations. | | | |
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| Name some other jobs related to this career. | [Animal care and service workers](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos168.htm)  [Biological scientists](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos047.htm)  [Chiropractors](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos071.htm)  [Dentists](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos072.htm)  [Medical scientists](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos309.htm)  [Optometrists](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos073.htm)  [Physicians and surgeons](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos074.htm)  [Podiatrists](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos075.htm)  [Veterinary technologists and technicians](http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos183.htm) | | | |
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| Will this career allow you to live the lifestyle you desire? | yes | | | |
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| How much can you expect to earn? | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Small animals, exclusively | $64,744 | | Large animals, exclusively | 62,424 | | Small animals, predominantly | 61,753 | | Mixed animals | 58,522 | | Large animals, predominantly | 57,745 | | Equine (horses) | 41,636 | | | | |
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| How is technology used in the career field? | Imaging  Electrocardiograph  Anesthesia Machines  Lasers  Laboratory Diagnostics | | | |